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**ATTACHMENT TO INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT AND  
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**NOTT  
ADKINSON  
GOODIN  
GARRISON**

Shows an overhead storage device includes a storage container that is pivotally or rotatably mounted to an overhead surface, such as a ceiling or a plurality of rafters. The storage container is generally moved by a motorized actuator assembly. The motorized actuator assembly can comprise a worm drive and follower nut arrangement or a flexible transmitter and spool assembly. The storage container is supported by a frame assembly and is secured to the frame assembly generally at an end of the storage container. The overhead storage device is sized to allow a motor vehicle to fit below a raised storage container in an average height garage. The storage container is assembled from two generally identical halves that are nestable for shipping and storage. This prior art is not portable which makes the usefulness greatly limited and much more costly to manufacture. My invention can be used in the kitchen of the home as well as in a motor home, fifth wheel, trailer, boat, camper, van and

patios. My invention is compact and easy to relocate from place to place.

## **HOWARD**

Shows a swing down closet used for storage. This swing down closet comprises a generally box-like closet body which can be swung from an upper rest position to a lower work position while remaining generally upright, the closet being especially adapted for mounting in the entrance to a stairwell. A pair of parallel support members are mountable to the end wall of the entrance and each pivotally carries one end of a corresponding support arm, the other end of which is pivotally attached to a corresponding side of the closet body proximate the top thereof. Spring return means connected to the arm and to the end wall or the support members provide a force to return the closet body to the rest position. Automatic latch means on the support members engage the support arm at the "work" position to prevent unwanted return motion of the body. The latch means are actuated by downward movement of the closet body and released by further downward movement, after which the closet body may return to its rest position under the influence of the spring return means. This prior art is not compact and is not portable making its usefulness

limited. My invention can be attached and reattached as required to any flat surface.

**ROMINSKY**

Shows a storage device comprises a transportable closet rolls on rails mounted near the ceiling line of a closet. A cable, block, and tackle arrangement is included in the closet to raise and lower the cargo of clothes therein as the closet is moved into and out of dead storage. Therefore, the weight of the clothes counterbalances the weight of the closet and makes it easy to roll the closet. This invention does not have the ability to do what my invention does. My invention is compact and portable having the ability to hold in a fixed position drinking glasses, cups, mugs, utensils, condiment and cosmetic containers. My invention is designed to keep the items separate not allowing them to come in contact with each other. This prior art is nothing like my invention as a storage device. My invention is a storage device as well as a service device for the items held in a fixed position.

**VERCELLOTTI**

Shows a storage device comprises of a four sided design with a bottom. On two sides are located a hinge device to allow the storage device to pull down allowing access to the open top

area for storing items as required. When closing the storage device it is pulled upward causing the storage device to close under a shelf, tabletop or whatever top surface being used. This prior art is not portable once used in a fixed location. My invention is light weight, portable, compact and has the ability to be moved when required by pulling upward causing the adhesive material attached on the bottom side to come loose from whatever surface it is attached to. The adhesive material will stay attached to the down surface of my invention but the bottom surface of the adhesive material is just sticky enough that allows my invention to be detached from any surface it is attached to, but still staying attached to the bottom of my invention for re-use when wanting to reattach my invention to another surface.

**BRAINARD  
FITCH  
GOURLEY**

Shows an adjustable compartment metal drawer which comprises of a bottom, four sides, adjustable partitions allowing the compartments to be of different sizes as required. Having an open top area for access to the different compartments. This prior art cannot hold drinking glasses, cups, mugs, utensils, condiment and cosmetic containers in a fixed position. My invention has the ability to hold these said

items in an isolated area keeping each item apart from each other. This prior art does not have the versatility as my invention.

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